

11. (New) The piston ring of claim 1, wherein there is about 18 wt % to about 35 wt. % of a nickel-chromium alloy.

12. (New) The piston ring of claim 1, wherein there is about 35 wt % to about 53 wt% of a chromium carbide.

13. (New) The piston ring of claim 1, wherein there is about 18 wt % to about 35 wt. % of a nickel-chromium alloy and about 35 wt % to about 53 wt% of a chromium carbide.